

Board of Commissioners of Cook County Law Enforcement Committee

Wednesday, October 23, 2013

12:30 PM

Cook County Building, Board Room, 569 118 North Clark Street, Chicago, Illinois

NOTICE AND AGENDA

There will be a meeting of the Committee or Subcommittee of the Board of Commissioners of Cook County at the date, time and location listed above to consider the following:

PUBLIC TESTIMONY

According to the Cook County Board's Rules of Organization and Procedure, Section 2-107 (dd), public testimony will be permitted at regular and special meetings of the Board and at committee meetings of the Board. Authorization as a public speaker shall only be granted to those individuals who have submitted in writing, their name, address, subject matter, and organization (if any) to the Secretary 24 hours in advance of the meeting. Duly authorized public speakers shall be called upon to deliver testimony at a time specified in the meeting agenda. Public testimony must be germane to a specific item(s) on the meeting agenda, and the testimony must not exceed three minutes; the Secretary will keep track of the time and advise when the time for public testimony has expired. Persons authorized to provide public testimony shall not use vulgar, abusive, or otherwise inappropriate language when addressing the Board; failure to act appropriately; failure to speak to an item that is germane to the meeting, or failure to adhere to the time requirements may result in expulsion from the meeting and/or disqualify the person from providing future testimony.

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Sponsored by: EDWIN REYES, County Commissioner

PROPOSED RESOLUTION

CONCERNING THE IMPLEMENTATION OF THE CONCEAL CARRY ACT IN COOK COUNTY

WHEREAS, the Illinois General Assembly was required by the 7th Circuit Court of Appeals to enact a conceal carry law and did so passing the Firearm Concealed Carry Act, giving the Illinois State Police 180 days to implement a license system, and

WHEREAS, under the Act, local law enforcement agencies may object to an application if their objection is based upon a reasonable suspicion that the applicant is a danger to him/herself or others, or a threat to public safety, and

WHEREAS, the license process is based on an already overburdened Firearm Owner Identification Card system; and

WHEREAS, there are already 300,000 FOID card holders in Cook County; and

WHEREAS, in Cook County alone, nearly 4000 revoked FOID card holders still maintain their FOID card and firearms compelling the Cook County Sheriff's Office to dedicate a gun team to recovering FOID cards from revoked possessors to protect the safety and welfare of the citizens of Cook County; and

WHEREAS, the conceal carry license process as currently developed is likely to overburden local law enforcement agencies and exacerbate an already devastating gun violence problem in Cook County; and

WHEREAS, the Cook County Sheriff's Office seeks to educate the Cook County Board of Commissioners on the financial and operational burden of the Act and establish a uniform procedure for identifying and objecting to unsuitable concealed carry license applicants.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the President and Board of Commissioners of Cook County hereby convene a meeting of the Cook County Board's Law Enforcement Committee to consider the impact of the Act on law enforcement agencies throughout Cook County.

Legislative History: 10/2/13 Board of Commissioners referred to the Law Enforcement Committee.

Chairman: Reyes
Vice Chairman: Silvestri

Members: Butler, Fritchey, Gorman and Tobolski